## MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING CITY OF CARROLLTON SEPTEMBER 2, 2003 MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting The Mayor and City Council met in a called session on Tuesday, September 2, 2003 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Court/Council Room, Public Safety Complex, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pilgrim.

**Roll Call** 

There were present: Mayor Gerald Pilgrim, presiding Councilmember J. Carl Williamson, Jr. Councilmember Henry Dickerson

There were absent: Councilmember Gerald Byrd Councilmember Rusty Gray

## Greenspace Resolution

Community Development Director Tracy Dunnavant reminded the Mayor and Council of funding the City had received from the state that was earmarked for Greenspace acquisition. Director Dunnavant noted that two years ago the Greenspace Committee had unanimously decided to pursue 26.3 acres located on Hays Mill Road which met all the goals stipulated in the Greenspace program (wetlands, floodplain, creek protection, as well as the former site of the historic Hays Mill). Director Dunnavant explained that the Trust for Public Land (TPL, a non-profit organization specializing in acquiring Greenspace) had been handling the negotiations for the property. The TPL has advised that they have obtained an option on the property in the amount of \$118,000. The City will have to reimburse the TPL for associated costs not to exceed \$15,500. Director Dunnavant noted a Resolution from the City authorizing the TPL to proceed with the purchase of the said property was needed. At this time Mayor Pilgrim opened the floor to meeting attendees. Residents of Hays Mill Overlook asked questions regarding the plans for the property. Director Dunnavant and Mr. Kent Johnston, Superintendent of Parks informed residents, that the City planned to maintain the property for a walking trail. Superintendent Johnston assured residents that there would be no road or streets, except for a service road to maintain the trails. Following a brief discussion, Motion by Councilmember Dickerson, seconded by Councilmember Williamson to approve the acquisition of 26.3 acres (more or less) located on Hays Mill Road with Greenspace funds from the state. Motion carried, unanimously.

## Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the meeting, *Motion by Councilmember Dickerson, seconded by Councilmember Williamson to adjourn at 6:10 o'clock p.m. Motion carried, unanimously.* 

Respectfully submitted by Libby R. Duke, Deputy Clerk